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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3073**
Takuji HAYAMA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005-0497A
Serial No. 10/530,277 : Group Art Unit 3723
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ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 16, 2006, Applicants in the above-referenced application hereby elect species 1 corresponding to Figs. 2-4 and claims 1, 2 and 6-8. Claim 5 should be considered generic and also reads upon the elected species.

Should the Examiner require anything further prior to the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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